Choral Fanfare
I’d like to congratulate Mrs Stephenson and her Music Excellence Class for their fantastic performance at last Monday night’s gala. I’ve received countless remarks on the high quality of the music program here at Mabel. Since that night they, along with the Drumline, have been invited to perform at the Regional Training Awards next Friday night at Movieworld. This will be a wonderful opportunity to showcase their talent. Below is a comment I received from someone in the audience that night:
“It was an inspiration to see such an enthusiastic group of students and their performance deserved the resounding applause that it received. Please pass on my congratulations to this fine young group and I hope that they continue to entertain everyone who has the privilege to hear them sing. “

Parent/Teacher interviews – Tuesday 10 September
Information regarding parent/teacher interviews will be distributed very shortly. You will receive a letter explaining the process for booking interviews and also a student card for your child/ren. Should you have any trouble booking an interview, please contact the wonderful ladies in our offices for their assistance. Please take the time to have an interview with your child’s teacher/s to ensure that we are all working together to achieve the best education for our students. Also use this time to update our information on your child/ren by making any corrections on the student card that is sent home and returning it to the office. If you have an email address, please include it on the student card.

Emergency Evacuation and Lock Down procedures
We are required to practise evacuation and lock down procedures throughout the school year. These procedures are usually practised without warning. Should parents/carers be on either campus during a ‘drill’ we require you to follow the direction of staff, please.

Absences – Every day counts
As we reach the end of Term 3, parents are reminded that children must attend school on every school day unless they have a reasonable excuse for being away, such as illness. Visiting family, being tired, or starting holidays early are not good reasons to be away from school. More information on the importance of regular school attendance is available at www.education.qld.gov.au/everydaycounts/docs/parent-fact-sheet.pdf
Remember if your child is absent from school you need to contact the school either by: phone 3386 5333, email absence@mabelparkss.eq.edu.au or a note to the teacher.

Book Week Parade
Thank you to Ms Kinnon for organising, yet again, a wonderful book week parade. Our book week parade is always a fun way to show the importance of reading. Thank you to everyone who put in an impressive effort with costumes. I know our students love the day. Be sure that your children are reading every night at home.

Upcoming Events

2 September Parade 9am
20 September P & C Meeting, 6pm
Middle Campus News
Deputy Principal: Troy Maher

Every day counts
It is extremely pleasing to see the majority of students attending school on time, ready to learn and being a Mabel Park STAR. It is essential that our students attend school on time every day. Some tips to help your children be ready on time include:

- Getting their school uniform ready the night before and placing it where it can be easily found in the morning
- Help pack your child’s school bag and place it near the front door
- Talk with the teacher about the classroom schedule so you can have conversations at home to prepare your child for the next day

Year 7 Community Classes
In their specialist lessons our Year 7s have been immersed in a unit of work exploring a variety of services found in the community. These lessons have covered topics from the Best Friends Project, which promotes responsible animal care, to Nude Food Day events which focuses on minimising waste. An upcoming event the students are involved in is the Clean Up the Park Program being held from 9am to 10am Wednesday, 16 September. To register as a volunteer and assist the students log on to www.cleanupaustraliaday.org.au/Creek+and+Park. Keep your eyes and ears open for future messages and events that the students of these classes will be organising.

Mr O’Halloran’s Brain Teaser
With Mr Maher on a well-deserved break Mr O’Halloran has stepped in for this week’s Brain Teasers.

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Junior Campus News
Deputy Principal: Nicole Miller

Early Years Day
Our Early Years will be held in Term Four this year and, as you can imagine we are all very excited about the activities and the special guests we have attend each year. This will be our fourth Early Years day and for those of you who have attended all three, they seem to be getting better and better so put this date in your diary – Friday 11 October!

Friday Indigenous Dancing
The Logan Police Citizens Youth Club is working with us to offer traditional dance instruction to all our Indigenous students from Mabel Park State School and Mabel Park State High School. Instruction will take place every Friday afternoon from 3 – 4 pm, beginning this Friday 30 August at the Resource Centre. We look forward to seeing our Indigenous dancers performing in the future, at both school and local events.
PREP Readiness
Our Prep Readiness classes will be starting again in term four. Please be sure you give your child a great start to their Prep year in 2014 by sending them to along to our Prep Readiness Program. Pop into our Junior Campus to register your interest. We would love to see two full classes this year.

iPads in Education – Year 5/6
Our Year 5/6 Group organised an outstanding open classroom for our iPad day. They were ready to demonstrate how skilful they are with using their iPads to explore, explain and elaborate on their learning.
A fantastic effort to Uma, Kane, Jacob, Cameron, Bunny, Erica, Soul & Daniel – I am so proud of the work you are doing.

Targets
A huge congratulations to our Year 3 group, who are consistently reaching their targets. They currently have the highest number of targets out of all the groups. Well done James, Tairhys, Shikarra, Clayton, Bob Marcus, Lanu, Tenai and TJ.

Transition to High School – Special Education
A note will be going home this week to inform parents of the Transition Program for Mabel Park State High School. This transition program will be supported by our Special Education Teacher - Jacqui Forster and/or Special Education Teacher Aide – Judy Waldie. If your child is not attending Mabel Park State High School and you are unsure if your child’s high school offers a transition program please contact the school and I can assist you in finding out more information. Unfortunately, we can only support the transition program to Mabel Park State High School.

Book Week Parade
We were so lucky to have the Wicked Queen and her side kick, Darth Vader, join us with our naughty Martians for our Book Week Parade last Friday. The theme was ‘Read across the Universe’, and, as the Wicked Queen had been banished to the Universe, she stumbled across Darth. In his travels, he captured two naughty Martians who had not been reading at all. Luckily the students at Mabel Park have been doing a lot of reading. Well done to all the students, teachers and parents who dressed up and helped show the Martians all the wonderful things you can read about in books. Below are the winners and runners up for each grade.

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<td>Cloey I, Phebe G</td>
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CBCA Book Week Winners
The winners of all the book week categories were announced last week at 12pm. Below are the winners for each section. Most of these are available to view on display in our library. Please come down and have a look before or after school. (Note:*Not all books listed are appropriate for children in primary school)

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Year 2
Tyson R, Billy N, Kiani R, Khi Z

Year 3
Decoda A, Mistee C, Fred V, Edyson FP, Lanu W, Pam P

Year 4
Paul B, Sashean C, Makaylah D, Tarissa C

Year 5/6
Jayden G, Emily M, Jayde WS, Laticia T, William M, Kyle T, Sara S

Year 7
Carly K, Bianca R, Amelia B, Steven A

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Week Seven and Eight, Term Three

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Advertisements and Notifications

Get in the Game

‘Get Started’ assists children and young people who can least afford or may otherwise benefit from joining a sports club. Eligible children and young people are provided with a voucher of up to $150 to help pay for club membership and/or participation fees. The vouchers can be redeemed at a sport or recreation club registered with the program. Visit www.nprsr.qld.gov.au/funding/getinthegame

Be PREPARED for PREP

- Uniform
- School Bag
- Books
- Lunch Box
- Immunisation

Free immunisation
- Logan Central Library
- Logan Central Library Carpark
- Browns Plains Library
- Ridgacre Library
- Early Years Centres

Every Thursday, 10am to 4pm

immunise
before they start PREP.
Clean Up the Creek and Path
Year 7 GW and 7 CK
Community Project

Help the Year 7 Team of Mabel Park State School clean up the local creek and park.

Where: Mabel Park State School.
Borman Street, Slacks Creek.
Resource Centre parade area, Junior Campus.
When: Wednesday, September 18
Time: 9am - 10am
Contact: Kerima Seline - kseline@seg.edu.au for more information or details.

Donate an hour of your time and make a difference to your community. To become a volunteer logon to http://www.cleanupaustraliaday.org.au/Creek+and+Park and register your details.
Fathers’ Day Stall
The Fathers’ Day Stall will be held this Thursday and Friday, first and second break, in the Performing Arts Centre. Prices range from 50c to $5.00, so come along and buy a gift for dad.

Family Portraits
We hope everyone is happy with their family portraits that you received yesterday.

P & C Meeting
The next P & C meeting will be held on Thursday 19 September, 6pm in the library. Please come along and let us hear your opinions.

P & C Recipe Book
As part of the P&C Fundraising, we have started a Mabel Park State School Recipe Book. Have you ordered one yet? The cost of the recipe book is $6.

If you are interested in purchasing a book, please fill in the form below and return it with your payment to the Junior Campus office.

Recipe Book Order Form

Name ____________________________ Class ____________________________

Number of books ____________________________ Amount ____________________________
Every child, every day, learning and achieving